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Dutch Marines in dress uniform mark the opening *(file photo)*



Governor Refunjol inspects the troops *(file photo)*

ORANJESTAD -- Aruban legislators will be on parade tomorrow morning, September 13, as the island Parliament is again officially in session after the summer break. This event is accompanied by some pomp and protocol, which will result in L.G. Smith Boulevard from the Valero station to the La-

goenweg being closed from 8:00 AM until noon. Those usually commuting via the boulevard -are suggested to take an alternative route. The same stretch of road will also be closed to motorized traffic during those same hours this morning as police and military rehearse for the

event. The public is welcome to witness this annual event, when Governor Fredis Refunjol usually inspects a contingent from the Royal Dutch Marines and delivers a "State of the Nation" address.

by Rosalie Klein

A solemn and respectful ceremony marks the tenth anniversary of 9/11



Aruban Fire Department show their support for fallen comrades



Cliff Fadman rings the memorial bell in honor of fallen first responders

ORANJESTAD -- As people around the world reflected on their memories of ten years ago, when they heard the devastating news that would change the lives and patterns of most of the western world, Aruba's Prime Minister, Mike Eman, also paid his respects to the fallen of 9/11 during a

solemn ceremony conducted in the parking lot of Post Aruba headquarters in Oranjestad. He had just come from a private service with members of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Service stationed on Aruba. The public event was organized by Cliff Faldman, a 38-year veteran volunteer fireman with the Kennebunk, Maine FD, who is now a resident of Aruba and founder of Fire Safety First Consultants, with the cooperation of Deputy Fire Commissioner Gilbert Kelly. The morning paid tribute to the memory of all those that died that fateful morning, but in particular to the first responders who lost their lives, and the many that have suffered serious illness since from their heroic actions. A number of Aruban first responders, police, EMT's and firemen attended the observance.

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Remembering 9/11: 10th anniversary



NEW YORK: Relatives of 9/11 victims listen to the US national anthem during the ceremony marking the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attack. In the September 11, 2001 attacks, Al-Qaeda hijackers crashed passenger planes into the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon in Washington, while a fourth jet crashed in Shanksville.

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NEW YORK: US President Barack Obama (R) First Lady Michelle Obama, former President George W. Bush and former First Lady Laura Bush (L) at the memorial wall on the North Tower reflecting pool of the World Trade Center September 11, 2011 in New York.

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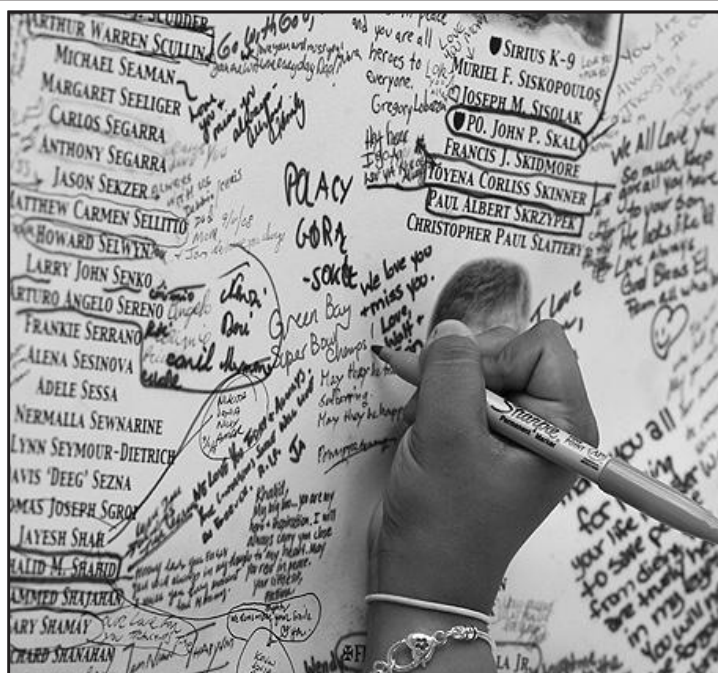
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NEW YORK: A woman writes a message on the wall of remembrance memorial near the World Trade Center on September 10, 2011 in New York. US President Barack Obama on Saturday called for a "heightened state of vigilance and preparedness" as the United States marks the 10th anniversary of 9/11 under a terror threat, the White House said.

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BERLIN: A placard reading "We will not forget September 11, 2001" and signed "We Berliners" is displayed at Berlin's Checkpoint Charlie (the former allied checkpoint between east and west Berlin) September 11, 2011, on the tenth anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks in the US. Germany marked the anniversary with an ecumenical memorial service for the victims at Berlin's American Church led by representatives of the Christian, Jewish and Islamic faiths and attended by President Christian Wulff.

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PM Eman and wife with Fire Chief de Cuba and Police representative Trudy Hassell



Expat Americans and firemen on vacation attend

Speaking on behalf of first responders everywhere was Chief Fire Commissioner Edward de Cuba and Deputy Chief Commissioner of Police Trudy Hassell. Prime Minister

Eman opened the commentary which was finished by Rabbi Dr. Mario Gurevich of the Temple Beth Israel, Aruba.

"History has looked upon WWI and WWII where we saw a country that sacrificed its own young to secure the peace and freedom of other nations in this world," Prime Minister Eman told the gathering. "It is this strong commitment to peace and liberty for mankind that has brought even greater sorrow to see the United States become victim to violence and terror on 9/11. It is with this sense of respect for those that loved life on that day; it is with this sense of respect and commitment for the families that endured the loss of loved ones and a sense of love for those heroes who went into a building on fire...and made the greatest sacrifice you can make for another...It is with a sense of grief we remember 9/11, but with a shared hope, a shared commitment that if we would work together, become more tolerant people...create a fiber of solidarity of love, those invisible lines would secure the type of social fiber we need in our own country and countries around the world."

Fire Commissioner de Cuba particularly singled out the first-responders and reminded

the gathering that those who choose such professions face the same danger in their daily work, rushing in to life-threatening situations regularly to save lives, and should be respected for this at all times for their sacrifice, not only this day. "It is ten years we have been dealing with the effects of what happened," he commented, "and I see on social media today people are asking each other 'where were you then?' To me, this is not important. 'What have you done since that day?' Nearly 3000 civilians lost their lives that day and over 400 first responders in only an hour and a half. If that doesn't change your life, then we are doing something wrong."

Fire Chief de Cuba also mentioned how honored local firefighters are when some of those first-responders on 9/11 stop by the station to shake hands and tell their stories. "It is not easy, bringing those stories forward, but we need to live with this. Before that day we did not realize how important our freedom was, but since that day, everything has changed."

Deputy Police Commissioner Hassell declared she stood before the gathering "with mixed feelings, due to the fact that we are united here to commemorate a day when something deeply disturbing happened in the U.S.... Families were wounded, friends



Cliff Faldman and Deputy Fire Commissioner Gilberto Kelly

were wounded, a nation was wounded -the whole world was wounded. At the same time we commemorate the strength and desire to live that was also expressed that day." She recounted how she again felt the astonishment, horror and pain while watching the documentary "102 Minutes," and is certain she shared it with millions reliving that day.

Cliff Faldman lamented the innocent lives lost and the loss of "our freedom and innocence." In memory of the "brave firefighters and police who gave their lives on 9/11" he rang a fire bell 5 times in a series of 5 for the 5555 on the commemorative firebox.

Just before completing the ceremony with the ringing of the fire bell, Rabbi Dr. Mario Guravich spoke on the new face of evil in these times, and recognizing it as such. His address in full is recounted in a separate article.

Those attending the morning's 9/11 Memorial made it a point to say "Thank you" to all Aruban first responders who came to pay tribute to their fallen comrades in arms.

by Rosalie Klein



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5 Burgers Aruba host Little League Caribbean Champions



Hi Fives for all the guys from Aaron

Aaron and Rosie Wallisever, owners of 5 Burgers Aruba, are big baseball fans, particularly when the team playing is the

Little League of their adopted home of Aruba. Aaron and Rosie happened to be in Las Vegas, Nevada when they saw

Aruba's Little League team squaring off against the China Taipei powerhouse players for their second game in the Little League World Series 2011 being broadcast live on ESPN from Williamsport, Pennsylvania, in the sports bar of the Mirage hotel.

This was the first year that Aruba Little Leaguers had won the Caribbean title since 1976, and all islanders were excited to see their team in the world championships. Unfortunately, they were immediately set against two of the strongest international teams on the roster, Japan and Taipei. Eventually, Japan faced off against youngsters from Huntington Beach, California to narrowly lose the championship to the U.S. team.

Aaron and Rosie watched Aruba lose to Taipei, but it did not diminish their delight with in the players; eventually, ESPN finally declared Aruba the 7th best Little League team among hundreds across the world as that was their standing among 16 teams that came to compete. Young Arubans particularly impressed sportscasters around the world with their team spirit, as faced with a 20-0 lead by Taipei at the top of the forth inning, player Vaughn Bergen, whose father is one of the team's coaches, inspired his teammates by doing his "Spongebob Dance" at 3rd base. They stopped Japan from scoring anymore runs and Aruba came to bat at the bottom of the 4th to garner 3, while Vaughn won the hearts of baseball fans around the world. "This is what Little League Baseball is all about" declared one veteran commentator.

"Rosie and I were screaming our heads off in Las Vegas while watching this," recalls Aaron, "before you knew it, we had 20 other people around us yelling and cheering Aruba's players, just as excited as we were."

Aaron and Rosie demonstrated their pride and appreciation to the young Aruba team



With team Manager, Elio Heronimo and Aaron Walisever



5 burger mgr Marc Antony presents a trophy

with their famous burgers and fries, and Meta Corp contributing a cooler full of Coke for the kids and Balashi Beer for the coaches. They welcomed the team, their coach and Elio Heronimo, Director of Little League for the Region, to their burger joint in The Village in Palm Beach for this tribute luncheon Saturday afternoon. 5 Burgers Manager Marc Anthony was honored to



present a special trophy to the team for their demonstration of grace under fire before an international audience, and a great time was had by all.

by Rosalie Klein

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A 9/11 message from Rabbi Dr. Mario Gurevich

Many touching, poignant words were spoken during Aruba's 9/11 commemorative service performed on Sunday morning, but Rabbi Dr. Mario Gurevich's thought-provoking comments on the nature of modern day evil deserve acknowledgment and defy paraphrasing. Here is his speech:

"And there was evening and morning, ten years worth, and the world is still unformed and void, with darkness over the face of the deep.

For all the politics, bombs and battles in the wake of Sept. 11, 2001, what strikes the mourners is a more personal and sensual vacancy, the absence of touch and sight and voice, a severing of personal histories.

How could one human do this to another? I ask the question, but I don't have an answer.

We have to recognize that absolute evil exists, and it must be fought.

This is a difficult task for a multicultural and free society that is encumbered with a broad definition of "tolerance." The media, universities and politically correct pundits declare that everyone is right and there are no absolutes.

Actually, this is a distorted definition of tolerance. Tolerance means a commitment to working out disagreements through mutual understanding and discussion, not violence.

So let us be clear: To murder innocent people is evil -- absolutely. To terrorize is evil -- absolutely. This is true whether the perpetrator is white, black or yellow, Christian, Jew or Moslem.

We cannot fight evil if there is no evil. Evil must be called evil -- throughout the media, government and in public discourse.

And in order to defeat evil, we have to be dedicated to "good," as fiercely as our enemies are dedicated to "evil."

In 1861, with civil war raging, Abraham Lincoln united Americans in a day of prayer.

We all yearn to see evil defeated. So we turn to our loving Father and ask Him to guide us in the proper course of action, and to oversee its success. Surely our God has the power to get this done.

Action must go hand-in-hand with prayer. Action shows that your prayer is serious.

In our individual lives, when faced with a crisis of

health, wealth, success or aggravation, at the same time that we pray, we act. Nobody would dream of asking God for a good job and then sitting down to wait for a knock on the door.

In crisis times, what action shall we take? How can we begin to make a difference?

Spread clarity. Educate others about A true definition: A terrorist is anyone who purposely harms innocent civilians. Finally, we have to close ranks. The entire civilized world has to be completely united in this struggle for survival.

But around what will we unite?

A profound tool for unity is the concept of monotheism. Any human who believes in a loving, all-powerful God -- the basis of Judaism, Christianity and Islam -- also believes in a God Who wants mankind to live in peace and brotherhood.

At this decisive time in world history -- as the forces of evil try to divide and terrorize us into submission -- each of us should turn to the Universal God, Creator of us all. We ask for the courage, wisdom and dedication to enable us to win this struggle against the evil scourge of terrorism.



Rabbi Gurevich addresses the gathering

In truth, if ever there were a time when the saying, "actions speak louder than words," was appropriate, this would seem to be it.

Certainly the actions of the heroes in the Herculean rescue effort, speak volumes about the value of human life... and death. And certainly the actions of the thousands who waited in lines for hours to donate blood, speak clearly about caring for one's fellow man or woman.


But cataclysmic events also call for actions of a different strain. Actions of a very per-

sonal nature

We can ask more of ourselves. We can demand of ourselves that we stay truly human, living with the ongoing awareness of the sacred soul God has breathed into each of us.

May the memory of all the victims and heroes of 9/11 live forever in the Holy Sanctuary of the hearts of all men of good will, and inspire us to serve God and his Creation in truth, goodness and peace. Amen"

by Rosalie Klein



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Sci-Tech

Dutch probing Iranian hacker's claims

THE HAGUE (AFP) - The Dutch government is investigating claims by a suspected Iranian hacker that he falsified Internet security certificates at a Dutch company, a government spokesman said.

"We are investigating all leads," Dutch Safety and Justice Ministry spokesman Edmond Messchaert told AFP, referring to an interview published on Dutch public broadcaster NOS's website.

In the interview, a hacker claiming to be a 21-year-old Iranian student identified only by the name "Sun Ich", said he was responsible for the breach at DigiNotar, through which some 531 Internet security certificates were falsified in July.

The false Internet security certificates, also known as SSLs, were then used in an apparent attempt to snoop on Google users in Iran.

"I carried out the hack completely on my own, from start to end," Sun Ich was quoted as saying. "When I got the certificates I brought certain people in Iran up to speed. It looks like they then used the information."

The Dutch secret service this week opened an investigation to determine who falsified the SSLs, the Dutch government said.

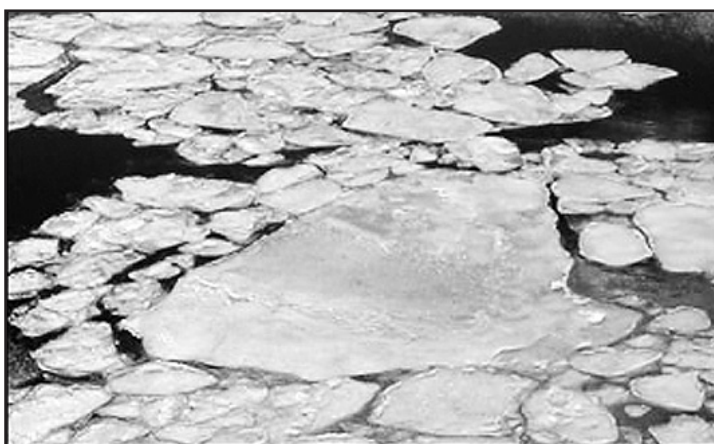
The probe was launched a day after Internet security specialist company Fox-IT said hackers had falsified hundreds of Internet security certificates through DigiNotar.

The hacker told journalists he was a supporter of President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's government and decided to target the Netherlands to punish it for the "fall of Srebrenica" and anti-Islam statements by Dutch far-right politician Geert Wilders.

A contingent of Dutch soldiers serving with the United Nations were charged with protecting civilians in the "safe" enclave of Srebrenica, eastern Bosnia, in 1995, but were humiliatingly overrun by Bosnian Serb forces under Ratko Mladic.

The following day, thousands of Bosnian Muslim men were captured or surrendered before almost 8,000 were executed in the worst atrocity in Europe since World War II.

Arctic ice cover hits historic low: scientists



PARIS (AFP) - The area covered by Arctic sea ice reached its lowest point this week since the start of satellite observations in 1972, German researchers announced.

"On September 8, the extent of the Arctic sea ice was 4.240 million square kilometres (1.637 million square miles). This is a new historic minimum," said Georg Heygster, head of the Physical Analysis of Remote Sensing Images unit at the University of Bremen's Institute of Environmental Physics.

The new mark is about half-a-percent under his team's measurements of the previous record, which occurred on September 16, 2007, he said.

According to the US National Snow and Ice Data Center (NSIDC), the record set on that date was 4.1 million sq km (1.6 sq mi). The discrepancy, Heygster explained by phone, was due to slightly different data sets and algorithms.

Arctic ice cover plays a critical role in regulating Earth's climate by reflecting sunlight and keeping the polar region cool.

Retreating summer sea ice - 50 percent smaller in area than four decades ago -- is described by scientists as both a measure and a driver of global warming, with negative impacts on a local and planetary scale.

It is also further evidence of a strong human imprint on climate patterns in recent decades, the researchers said.

"The sea ice retreat can no more be explained with the natural variability from one year to the next, caused by weather influence," Heygster said in a statement released by the university.

"Climate models show, rather, that the reduction is related to the man-made global warming which, due to the albedo effect, is particularly pronounced in the Arctic."

Albedo increases when an area once covered by reflective snow or ice -- which bounces 80 percent of the Sun's radiative force back into space -- is replaced by deep blue sea, which absorbs the heat instead.

Temperatures in the Arctic region have risen more than twice as fast as the global average over the last half century.

The Arctic ice cover has also become significantly thinner in recent decades, though it is not possible to measure the shrinkage in thickness as precisely as for surface area, the statement said. Satellite tracking since 1972 shows that the extent of Arctic sea ice is dropping at about 11 percent per decade.

NSIDC director Mark Serreze has said that summer ice cover could disappear entirely by 2030, leaving nothing but heat-trapping "blue ocean."

The NSIDC likewise monitors Arctic ice cover on a daily basis, but has not announced record-low ice cover. Data posted on its website as only covered the period through September 6.

By last week, it said, sea ice is almost completely gone from the channels of the Northwest Passage. The southern route -- also known as Amundsen's Route -- was also ice free, as was the Northern Sea Route along Siberia.

But even as the thaw opens shipping lanes, it disrupts the lives and livelihoods of indigenous peoples, and poses a severe threat to fauna, including polar bears, ice seals and walrus, conservation groups say.

"This stunning loss of Arctic sea ice is yet another wake-up call that climate change is here now and is having devastating effects around the world," said Shaye Wolf, climate science director at the Center for Biological Diversity in San Francisco.

The last time the Arctic was uncontestedly free of summertime ice was 125,000 years ago, during the height of the last major interglacial period, known as the Eemian.

Air temperatures in the Arctic were warmer than today, and sea level was also four to six metres (13 to 20 feet) higher because the Greenland and Antarctic Ice Sheets had partly melted.

Global average temperatures today are close to the maximum warmth seen during the Eemian.

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Weight Watchers works in tackling obesity: study



Weight Watchers lost around twice as much weight as did those in the other group, a mean loss of 5.1 kilograms versus 2.2. Among those who stuck with either programme to the end, the figures were 6.7 against 3.3 kg, respectively.

Participants randomised to Weight Watchers were also more than three times as likely to lose at least five percent of their bodyweight, said the study, published in The Lancet.

Weight Watchers offers weekly weighing and group support.

It also promotes a balanced, reduced-energy diet along with increased physical activity.

Primary care providers -- sometimes nurses, sometimes doctors -- generally offer weight-loss treatment in line with national guidelines, but vary in the level of supervision.

"The similar weight losses achieved in Australia, Germany, and the UK implies that this commercial programme, in partnership with primary care providers, is a robust intervention that is generalisable to other economically developed countries," the researchers concluded.

The researchers emphasised the important role of family doctors and primary health-care providers in giving advice, and in making referrals to commercial weight-loss programmes.

PARIS (AFP) - Adults referred to the commercial weight loss programme Weight Watchers shed twice as much weight as people who received standard care over a 12-month period, according to a study published this week.

In clinical trials, researchers led by Susan Jebb of the UK Medical Research Council assessed 772 overweight and obese adults in Australia, Germany, and Britain.

About half the patients received a year's standard care, while the other half were given a 12-month free membership for a Weight Watchers group near their homes.

Sixty-one percent of the participants assigned to the commercial programme completed it, while 51 percent of the "standard care" group finished their programme.

Overall, individuals in

Venezuela's Chavez turns to shamans to fight cancer



An indigenous man takes part in a ritual ceremony at Miraflores presidential palace in Caracas

CARACAS (AFP) - Shamans from tribes in Venezuela's Amazon jungle held a ceremony at the Miraflores presidential palace on week-end to help Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez recover from his cancer treatment.

Chavez, who insists that he was "not sick but recovering" from cancer, greeted the shamans wearing a track suit in the colors of the Venezuelan national flag and wore a crown of feathers the visitors gave him.

Members of the Yekuana, Jivi and Wayuu communities danced, sang and prayed as they invoked their ancestors to protect the Venezuelan leader.

The ritual was aimed at

protecting Chavez "against enemies and bad health," said Miguel Morales, a shaman from the Jivi community.

Chavez thanked the shamans for the crown of feathers. "I consider it sacred and will keep it for my whole life," Chavez told them.

"The cancer was removed, and with the power of god and all the gods it has gone and will never return," said Chavez, 57.

Chavez underwent surgery in Cuba in June to remove a tumor in his pelvic area, since the operation Chavez has limited his public appearances, lost weight and lost most of his hair from his cancer treatment.



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FROM: The Philippine Overseas Labor Office

RE: Overseas Workers Welfare Association (OWWA)

ORANJESTAD -- Filipinos who are in Aruba with working status (employment-based), OWWA is mandatory. Filipinos with residence permits can also register with OWWA under the "OWWA Voluntary Membership Program."

OWWA basically provides life insurance coverage for OFW's while they are working abroad. It also extends scholarship programs to their dependents in the Philippines, disability benefits (if the disability is due to work, which includes permanent disability or dismemberment of body parts), livelihood assistance and loans (for those who are intending to put up their own business in the Philippines, they can avail as much as 2 million pesos for capital with minimal interest) and other benefits. For complete list of benefits and services and the requirements for availing these benefits, please visit the website www.owwa.gov.ph.

Requirements for OWWA membership:

1. US\$25.00 (good for 2-

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A.A.A. N.V. looks back on the 10th Anniversary of 9-11 terror attacks

And looks forward to continuing developments in aviation security

ORANJESTAD - Yesterday, September 11, Aruba Airport Authority N.V. commemorated, together with its industry partners, the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks in the USA. The tragic events on 9-11 have brought about major changes in the Aviation Security and have led to significant procedural changes in travel worldwide.

Mr. Peter Steinmetz, CEO of Aruba Airport Authority N.V. explains that Aruba Airport, having the capability to provide US Customs and Border Protection Pre-clear-

ance at its facility, has invested heavily in Security, especially in personnel, training and equipment in the past decade. Procedures for screening of passengers and luggage have been evolving steadily and the Airport is now evaluating the purchase of Advanced Technology Equipment for screening of Passengers and their luggage.

Mr. Steinmetz foresees that Aruba Airport will remain a front-runner in the region when it comes to customer satisfaction in regards to its Security

processes. A recent Customer Satisfaction Survey amongst our Airport passengers has shown that feeling safe and secure is considered the most important process for surveyed passengers. The survey results for our Airport for this process was "Excellent", and Mr. Steinmetz remarks that this result "does entail that the customer has high expectations as to their safety and security and we have to continue improve our people, systems and methods to keep meeting these high expectations."

OWWA Announces Scholarship Program for OFW Dependents

Washington DC -- The Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA) has recently announced that it is now accepting applications from dependents of OFWs for its college scholarship program. The scholarship program, called Education for Development Scholarship Program (EDSP), is open to all high school graduating students in the Philippines who are children or dependents of active OWWA members.

OWWA Administrator Carmelita Dimzon said that the scholarship program provides an educational grant of P60,000 per year to every OWWA scholar enrolled in any four or five year course in colleges and universities in the Philippines. OWWA allots a total of P240,000 to P300,000 for each scholar for the entire duration of the scholarship.

Dimzon also said that the EDSP aims to help OWWA members to send their qualified children and dependents to first-rate schools and receive quality college education with-

out having to worry about where to get the money to pay for their tuition fees. Under the program, OWWA will pay the tuition fee of the scholar directly to the school. Any remaining amount in the financial grant after the payment of tuition fee will be released to the scholar.

Labor Attaché Luzviminda Padilla who heads the Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) of the Philippine Embassy in Washington DC, is encouraging the OFWs in the United States to avail of this program. "The Filipino workers in US should not miss this opportunity being offered to OWWA members. The financial grant that could be availed of under the program would certainly help their children in achieving their educational aspirations and realizing their dreams" she noted.

Meanwhile, Welfare Officer Saul de Vries, the newly designated OWWA representative in Washington DC, advised OFWs in the US to inform their high school graduating

children or dependents to file their application with the OWWA Regional Welfare Office nearest to their place of residence in the Philippines. The deadline for submission of application is on September 30, 2011. Qualified applicants will undergo a competitive examination to be administered by the Department of Science and Technology on November 20, 2011.

To be eligible to apply, the applicant must be: (1) a child of an OWWA member or brother/sister of an unmarried OWWA member; (2) below 21 years old; (3) a Filipino citizen; (4) in good health and of good moral character; (5) in the upper 20% of the high school graduating class; (6) has not earned units in any post-secondary/undergraduate course; and (7) not be a recipient of any scholarship award. OFWs interested to avail of the program for their children/dependents may call Mr. de Vries at telephone number 202-467-9425 or e-mail him at owwa_washingtondc@yahoo.com.

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Mel Gibson working on Jewish warrior film

Mel Gibson is working on a new film about a Jewish warrior hero, his spokesman said.

The "Braveheart" star's Icon Productions will produce the movie about the life of Judah Maccabee, whose ancient victory is celebrated by Hannukah, the Jewish festival of lights.

The screenplay is to be written by "Basic Instinct" writer Joe Eszterhas.

Maccabee led the Jewish revolt against the Greek-Syrian armies in the second century BC.

Local Consumer Rights brought into Focus

ORANJESTAD -- Aruban law describes a consumer as a physical person not acting in name of his profession or business. Whereas the law defines the seller as an individual acting in name of his profession or business. An agreement between a seller and a buyer the law calls a consumer sales agreement.

The Consumer and his rights:

The sale by a consumer is an agreement in which the law stipulates the rights and obligations of both the buyer and seller.

The law takes the position

that the seller is the expert party at the moment of signing a contract between seller and consumer. As such, the law strives to place its attention and protection on the consumer as the weaker party in a consumer agreement. The law covers the rights of the consumer. The rights of the consumer covers, in principle, the law regarding purchases, and at the same time it also covers general conditions, product guarantee, deceptive promotions, sale of household products and unfair competition.

In Aruba, the rights of the consumer exists only as sub-

stantive rights. The formal procedure for making the law comply is not yet effective. Hence, with the exception of the courts, which can be rather expensive, Aruba does not have a rapid and simple impartial organisation to address a dispute between a consumer and seller. The Minister of Economic and Social Affairs is currently evaluating the possibilities for change. She is revising the laws to enact changes with respect to our situation and hopes to introduce the necessary tools that would ultimately benefit the consumer.

With respect to formal complaints, Aruba has the CAS Foundation and the Office for Rental and Consumer Affairs (BHC). The CAS Foundation (Aruban Consumers Group) has one primary objective...to defend and promote the interests of the consumer in the broadest sense of the word.

The Bureau of the Rental and Consumer Affairs (BHC) is a government service which is under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Economic and Social Affairs. Among the responsibilities of the BHC Bureau is to offer advice, do research and give information on matters relevant to consumers. For those seeking advice or needing mediation, call BHC at Tel. 582-9914.

In view of the developments surrounding the bread issue which caused quite a stir in the past weeks, it is important to inform the public that you can address any related issue, report any type of price abuse at the office in Wayaca 33.

The law regarding purchases to a consumer does not apply to a person purchasing in name of his profession or business. The law does not offer protection when a consumer sells an item to another consumer.

In the consumer law, the consumer maintains his rights and the business concern cannot negate in no form or fashion. One of the most important obligations of the business owner is to offer an item for sale with all its rights, to the consumer and the sold item must comply with the agreement.

The item sold must comply with the characteristics desired by the consumer and

based on the agreement that it will function during normal use. If the consumer wishes to register a complaint regarding the guarantee of the item bought, said complaint must be addressed to the merchant who sold the item. And, this complaint must be registered within a reasonable time after the purchase. In the event the consumer carries to register a complaint, for example, beyond 2 months after the purchase, the consumer may lose his rights.

The most important right of the consumer is to, first and foremost, before making a purchase get all relevant information and orientation which will make the purchase more efficient. This happens very seldom among consumers.

The consumer's obligations are: pay for the product as agreed. Payment should be made at the moment and place where the product was delivered, unless other arrangements were agreed upon between consumer and seller. The laws regarding purchases to a consumer are detailed in book 7 of our civil code.

In these modern times purchase frenzy our needs have become so much more diverse, and there are a great deal more irregularities and abuses, commercial inequality, and faltering on contracts which can and do cause serious material and moral damage to consumers.

The government is intent on offering more and better services to the local consumer at the Bureau of Rental and Consumer Affairs (BHC). They will also offer more information on matters of consumer rights through the local media.

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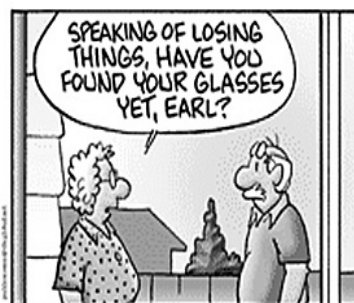
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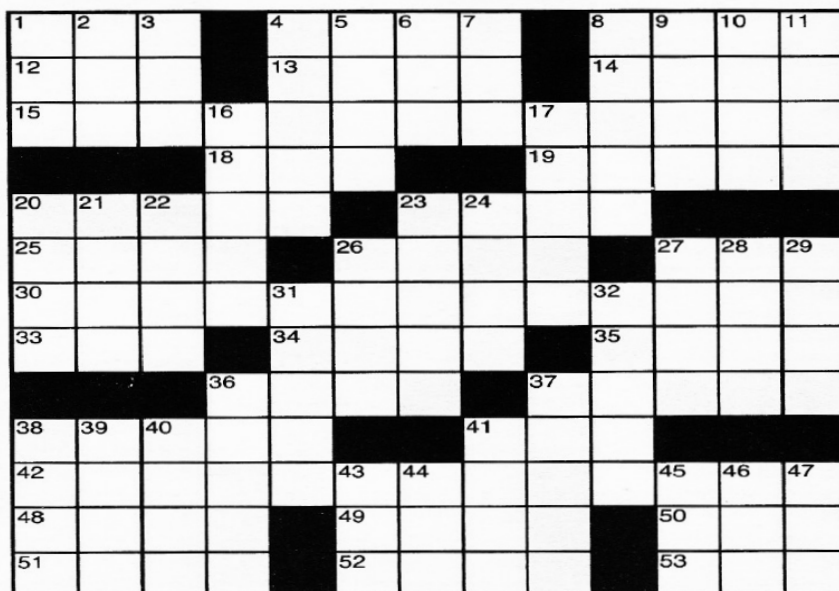
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23. Is in pain
24. Roe source
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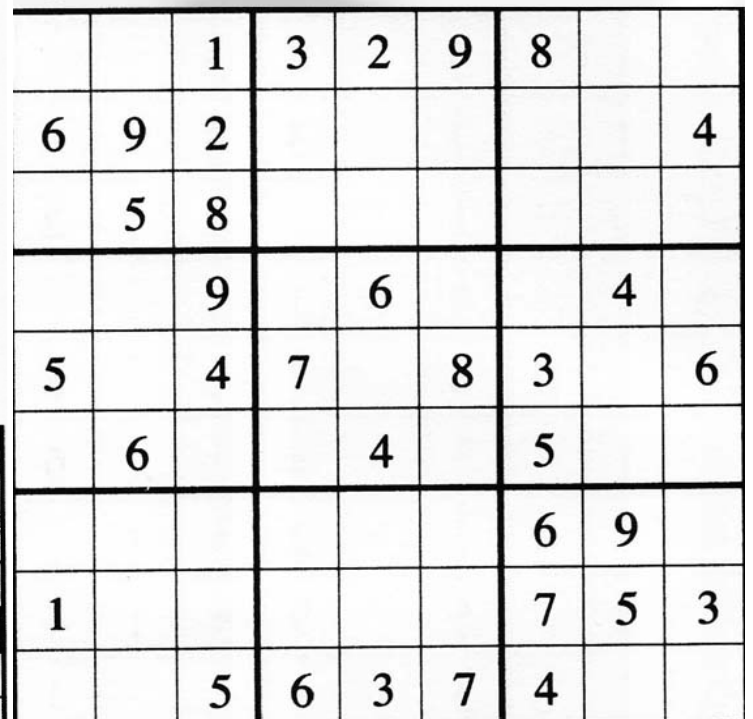
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Finance

Eurozone heads into crunch talks to tame debt crisis



BRUSSELS (AFP) - After a summer of hell, the eurozone's divided leaders hit the ground running this week in crunch talks to save Greece from default and tame Europe's runaway debt crisis.

Split over how to address a crisis exacerbated by global economic gloom, finance ministers from the 17 nations sharing the euro hold their first post-summer talks on Friday and Saturday in Poland, which currently holds the rotating EU presidency.

The Wroclaw encounter will come a week after the euro slumped to a six-month low on worries over a Greek default and the sudden resignation of a top European Central Bank (ECB) figure.

It will aim to get over obstacles holding up a second 160-billion-euro (\$220 billion) bailout for Greece, agreed in principle at a July 21 summit.

But barely seven weeks on, pressure on the single currency has hit historic highs amid rising fears a divided Europe could fail to stem debt contagion.

Star economists such as Nouriel Roubini and even Germany's former chancellor Gerhard Schroeder have warned only full "political union," something approaching a "United States of Europe", can keep the euro on its feet.

And US Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said at a weekend meet of the G7 powers in Marseille that European states needed to do more to prove they had the

political will to deal with the financial crises roiling the continent.

Next Wednesday, international auditors from the International Monetary Fund, the European Union and the ECB will return to Greece for a fresh look at Athens' socially tough cost-cutting to reduce a 350-billion-euro debt mountain.

Underwhelmed by the Greek measures, the experts last week cut short a visit to assess whether Athens had met conditions set by its rescuers to receive a fresh eight-billion-euro tranche on a first 2010 lifeline, worth 110 million euros.

Meanwhile, exasperation with debt and deficit offender nations is growing in the likes of Germany, Finland and the Netherlands.

Dutch Finance Minister Jan Kees de Jager last week raised the prospect of expelling offenders from the euro.

"If you can't stick to rules, you have to leave the game," he said.

Moving to ease fears of an impending euro implosion, Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte later said "the ultimate sanction" was "about the long term, not about Greece. These are suggestions about countries which in future cannot comply with requirements."

"We cannot do it with Greece, because we have gone too far already," he said.

But already, Finland wants cash collateral from Greece before lending any more money, and Slovakia -- which sat out the first bailout -- is threatening to delay ratification of the second rescue until year's end.

Last week, the eurozone avoided a nightmare scenario when Germany's top court authorised new bailouts.

But while Berlin can keep writing cheques for weaker

neighbours, the constitutional court said the government will first have to secure the approval of parliament's budget committee before shelling out any cash.

This will add another layer to decision-making when the eurozone is already struggling to act fast enough to calm impatient markets, economists said.

"A bigger say for the German parliament in future bailouts could easily find copycats in other eurozone countries," said ING Bank analyst Carsten Brzeski.

In the latest blow to the eurozone struggle to speak with a single voice on the crisis, ECB chief economist Juergen Stark abruptly quit Friday, sending the euro and stocks tumbling.

The ECB said Stark, 63, was resigning "for personal reasons." But ECB watchers underlined the hawkish board member was an outspoken critic of the bank's controversial buying of eurozone government bonds on secondary markets to prevent borrowing rates rising to prohibitive levels.

The programme had been on hold until last month, when investors fled Italian and Spanish bonds, threatening to force a bailout of the eurozone's third- and fourth-largest economies.

The ECB has since bought more than 50 billion euros in eurozone debt, leading to growing calls for governments to issue jointly backed 'eurobonds' in future -- a demand roundly rejected by the currency area's main German paymaster.

Iraq eyes 3 mln bpd oil output by year-end: minister

AMMAN (AFP) - Iraqi Oil Minister Abdelkarim al-Luaybi said on Sunday that his country is seeking to produce three million barrels of crude per day by the end of the year.

"We seek with international companies to produce three million barrels by the end of 2011, and export 2.5 million barrels next year," Luaybi told a conference in the Jordanian capital, which is being attended by 46 oil firms.

Iraq currently produces around 2.7 million barrels of oil per day (bpd), and the government is aiming to increase that to 12 million bpd by 2017, although the IMF has voiced doubts over whether that target

is attainable.

Oil accounts for the lion's share of government income, with Iraq exporting around 2.2 million bpd.

Last month, Iraq's cabinet approved a draft oil and gas law in a bid to regulate the country's most lucrative sector after years of political deadlock.

The new law divides responsibility for the oil sector between the central government and the provinces but even before its passage, foreign investors still poured in, signing 11 major contracts which could potentially boost Iraq's output fivefold.



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Iran hit by massive \$2.6 bn banking scam: reports

TEHRAN (AFP) - Several Iranian banks have been targeted in one of the biggest frauds in the Islamic republic's history, losing nearly \$2.6 billion in more than two years, media reports said Sunday.

The fraud was reportedly orchestrated by a single man, referred to as "Mr X" in Iranian media, who developed a network and used forged letters of credit to purchase assets, including one of Iran's largest steel production companies, Khuzestan Steel Company.

"Mr X" ran his master plan from June 2009 to last August, pocketing around 28 trillion rials (nearly \$2.6 bn) and also unsuccessfully attempting to form a new bank," said central bank chief

Mahmoud Bahmani in remarks published Sunday.

Bank of Saderat CEO Mohammad Jahromi, whose organisation was one of the victims of the fraud, said seven other banks were also hit.

Head of general inspection organisation, Mostafa Pour Mohammadi, labelled the fraud "the most unprecedented financial corruption case" in the Islamic republic's history. He did not elaborate.

Influential conservative lawmaker Ahmad Tavakoli said the case represented "a terrible corruption disease (lurking) in (Iran's) banking system and administrative apparatus."

On Wednesday, judiciary chief Ayatollah Sadeq Larijani said "the people involved in this case have been arrested" before the media got wind of the story. He did not elaborate.

The Germany-based corruption watchdog Transparency International last year ranked Iran 146th out of 178 countries on its annual list.

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Gold Coast Aruba: Great savings for large families on holiday rentals



Aruba's newest and most innovative gated community has enjoyed steady sales since breaking ground, as many are finding the secure surroundings and outstanding amenities are just what they were looking for before considering purchasing property on the island. Some owners are using the villas or town homes as vacation retreats rather than full time and are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," noted Gold Coast developer Fito Croes. To assist in the demand for more complete facilities for groups and families, famed hotelier Ed Malone has been placed in charge of the rental program.

Staying at Gold Coast is a very attractive proposition for those traveling with groups that would require multiple hotel rooms. Two and three bedroom Villas or Town Homes accommodate large numbers and offer extensive amenities along with a final cost resulting in considerable savings. The community is minutes to the best beaches and all the casino action, and offers a quiet and secluded getaway with two swimming pools and specialized services with more on the way, such as a fitness room, tennis courts and mini-mall. Ed can arrange maid service, babysitters, caterers,

airline pick-up and drop-off; they even boast a shopping service to stock your shelves before arrival.

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House of Japan: a unique sushi experience in Palm Beach

House of Japan, conveniently located in the South Beach Mall, offers a very pleasant ambiance for dining under the stars, or in their cozy, chic air-conditioned dining room. House of Japan also sports one of the most unique and creative sushi selections on the island, devised by master sushi chef Kasuki Tsuchiya.

The specialized menu offers a refreshing departure for even the most jaded aficionados of sushi. Raised in the large Japanese community of Latin American, Chef Ka-



Chef Katsui with Spicy Salmon Roll

create anticipation before our taste buds and tummy are actually rewarded. Sushi is the pinnacle of food as art; a

beautifully arranged mélange of color and design to delight the eyes, right down to the vibrant salad that garners the serving platter.

The House of Japan also offers a tempting selection of traditional Japanese favorites, a hefty and stunning Shrimp and Veg-



Shrimp and Veggie tempura

suki has incorporated many of the elements of regional cooking for his distinctive creations.

Mylene, who makes the rolls before diners' eyes, is well known to frequent visitors for her deft hands, which quickly produce a variety of sushi and other fresh Japanese delights. Many will remember her from Sakura in Oranjestad, and years working the sushi stand at La Cabana. She admits "sushi is my passion," and her inborn artistry is evident with each appealing platter.

Most great cuisines take into consideration not only flavor, but presenting a feast for all the senses; sight and smell

Shrimp among them, but do be sure to combine it with a South Beach Roll, Ivanka Roll, or an Oranjestad Roll, three of their exclusive sushi dishes and some Neptune Salad. Ample portions are easily shared around the table.

"The sushi we are making here is like none other seen on Aruba," expressed Mylene regarding working with Chef Kasuki, "it is so exciting to be trying these new dishes, they are so untraditional and I find the old standards pale in comparison. We have everyone's favorites, and can make anything they ask for, but we are sure they will love what we have created."

House of Japan is open for dinner seven days a week; Sundays through Thursdays from 5:30 PM until 12:30 AM, and on Fridays and Saturdays until 2:30 AM, in case you get the late night munchies. One can also enjoy their specialties while relaxing at South Beach Lounge.



South Beach roll

Russian film 'Faust' wins Golden Lion in Venice



Russian film director Alexander Sokurov poses with the Golden Lion for best film.

VENICE (AFP) - Russian filmmaker Alexander Sokurov won the Golden Lion award at the Venice film festival on week-end for "Faust," a visceral take on Goethe's play which explores the theme of corrupting power.

"There are films which make you dream, which make you cry, laugh and think, and there are films which change your life forever. This is one of those films," said jury head Darren Aronofsky, saying the decision had been unanimous.

Beating 22 other films to the prize, the stomach-turning movie is the final instalment of Sokurov's cinematic tetralogy on the nature of power, following his acclaimed portraits of Adolf Hitler, Vladimir Lenin and Emperor Hirohito.

Sokurov is the second Russian director ever to win the Golden Lion, after it was awarded to Andrey Zvyagintsev for "The Return" in 2003.

"Making auteur cinema is very difficult these days," the St Petersburg-based director said, adding that he was "very happy to live in a Europe where we can understand each other."

The Silver Lion director award went to China's Cai Shangjun for his revenge tale "People Mountain People Sea", this year's surprise addition to the festival line-up, in which a man ceaselessly hunts down his brother's killer.

The film has been censured in China, revealing as it does the appalling conditions in a Chinese mine.

As expected, best actor went to German-born Irishman Michael Fassbender, who plays an emotionally dysfunctional executive addicted to sex in Steve McQueen's powerful "Shame".

Best actress went to Deanie Yip for her portrayal of an elderly maid in a moving tale of the trials of growing old gracefully, "A Simple Life."

The jury at the world's oldest film festival also included US director Todd Haynes, Finnish Eija-Liisa Ahtila,

British David Byrne, Italian Mario Martone and Alba Rohrwacher, and French Andre Techine.

The punted favourites -- Roman Polanski's grotesque comedy of manners "Carnage" and George Clooney's political thriller "The Ides of March" -- went home empty handed, as did Tomas Alfredson's much praised "Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy."

"Terraferma," Emanuele Crialese's tale of fishermen from a tiny Italian island who rescue a group of African refugees from drowning at sea, won the special jury prize for "combining social problems with great storytelling."

The theme of immigration inspired several Italian films in this year's programme, and saw Guido Lombardi win the prize for best film in a parallel section for "La-bas."

For their tale of the struggle for survival in a post-tsunami Japan, Shota Sometani and Fumi Nikaido won the awards for best young actor and actress in Japanese director Sion Sono's "Himizu," which was based on a manga comic strip.

Twenty-three films competed in all in the Mostra, which saw a host of stars arrive by speed boat for the red carpet in the lagoon city, from Madonna to Gwyneth Paltrow, Kate Winslet, Jude Law and "The Godfather" star Al Pacino.

Brother of pop icon Jackson had plan to save him from jail



LONDON (AFP) - Michael Jackson's family planned to spirit the singer out of the United States rather than see him jailed if he was convicted at his 2005 child abuse trial, his brother said in an interview

published week-end.

Jermaine Jackson told Britain's Times newspaper that a private jet financed by a friend was ready to fly the pop icon to Bahrain, which has no extradition treaty with the US.

The star, who died in June 2009 aged 50 after an overdose of the powerful anaesthetic propofol, was not told about the plan but his brother believes he may have suspected something and would have agreed to the scheme.

"If they were going to sit and crucify my brother for something that he didn't do, America deserves us not to come back here," Jermaine Jackson, 56, told the paper.

"At the end of the day, this

is supposed to be the land of the brave, home of the free, democracy, freedom of speech."

But the plan never had to be put into action as the star was found not guilty of all charges in June 2005 at the end of a trial lasting more than four months.

He was accused of molesting 13-year-old Gavin Arvizo, giving alcohol to a minor and conspiring to kidnap him and his family.

In extracts published by the Times of his new book, "You Are Not Alone: Michael Through a Brother's Eyes", Jermaine Jackson tells how he made a phone call to ensure the escape plan was ready.

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Cricket: England tie up series, inflict more misery on Indians



England's Ravi Bopara dives to avoid being run out from a throw by India's Suresh Raina during the fourth one day cricket match between England and India at Lord's cricket ground in London, on September 11, 2011.

AFP PHOTO

LONDON (AFP) - England won the one day series with India here on Sunday after they tied the fourth one day international leaving the world champions still winless in all forms of cricket on their tour this summer.

Ravi Bopara made 96 as England chased India's 280-5 but when he was the eighth man out with England on 270 and rain bought the teams off they were tied on the Duckworth Lewis method.

England hold an unassailable 2-0 lead with just one game remaining.

Bopara was attempting to

reach his first one-day international hundred with a big shot but was caught on the deep midwicket boundary.

Ironically if he had just knocked the ball for a single England would have won on the DL method by a single run.

India looked all over the winners when England were 173-5 but Bopara's innings and good supporting roles from Graeme Swann, who made 31 and Tim Bresnan with 27, eased England up to their target.

However the first time the teams went off for rain India

were ahead on the DL method and eager to get off the pitch.

They were less eager to get back on for another over and by the time that had been bowled England were ahead before they went off one more time with the teams tied on DL.

Earlier Ian Bell had made 54 but when he and Ben Stokes were out in quick succession England needed a cool head and to steady the ship and Bopara provided it before going for one big shot too many.

India's innings had been dominated by a fifth wicket stand of 169 between Suresh Raina and captain MS Dhoni.

Raina hit 84 while Dhoni ended unbeaten on 78 in a partnership that was the highest for the fifth wicket for India in one-day internationals against England.

Dhoni faced 71 balls, hitting six fours and three sixes, whilst Raina, who accelerated late in his innings faced 75 balls and hit seven fours and two sixes.

But it looked like it would be a different story when India were 110-4 in 26th over.

Swann had just dismissed Virat Kohli and Rahul Dravid in his first over and one more wicket would have exposed the Indian tail.

But Raina and Dhoni got their side to a score well above the average first innings one-day total here with aggressive batting which delighted the hordes of Indian supporters at the ground.

They helped their side to add 109 off the last ten overs with both batsmen hitting the English bowlers high into stands as India finally enjoyed themselves after a dismal summer in England.

In a bad session for England Stuart Broad went off without completing the final over holding his arm and Steve Finn was called on to bowl the rest of the over.

Earlier, Broad had dismissed both openers Parthiv Patel for 27 and Ajinkya Rahane for 38 but Finn, playing his first match of the series, went wicketless despite bowling well.

He eventually snared Raina when he was asked to replace Broad when the batsman was superbly caught by Stokes in the deep.



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I want to knock-out Haye: Vitali Klitschko



BERLIN (AFP) -After defending his WBC belt with a tenth-round technical knock-out of challenger Tomasz Adamek, heavyweight champion Vitali Klitschko has said he wants to now fight - and knock-out - Britain's David Haye.

The 40-year-old outclassed Adamek, a former cruiserweight and light-heavyweight world champion, on Saturday night in Wroclaw, Poland, and Klitschko is now eager to get Britain's Haye into the ring to settle a score.

Haye lost his WBA heavyweight belt to younger Klitschko brother Wladimir in Hamburg in July with a unanimous decision, but after the Brit's constant trash-talking, Vitali Klitschko has said he wants to floor the Londoner.

The Klitschko brothers were insulted when Haye appeared at a press conference in 2009 wearing a t-shirt showing an image of him in the ring brandishing the severed heads of both Ukrainian heavyweights.

Haye has said he will delay

plans to retire this October, if either Klitschko sibling will fight him and Vitali Klitschko says he wants the fight to go ahead.

"Haye is the best boxer - in trash talking," said Klitschko after beating Adamek.

"I am saying that I want to fight him.

"Why? Because he has personally insulted me deeply.

"I want to knock him out."

Haye has told German daily Bild that he wants another chance at a world title.

"If I am given a rematch against Wladimir - which I do not believe I will - or Vitali will fight me, I will postpone my retirement for six months," said Haye, who turns 31 next month.

Klitschko had few problems against Adamek and outclassed the 34-year-old, who fought on bravely before the referee put a stop to the fight.

"Tomasz is the best boxer in the world, but not in the heavyweight division, it was a mistake for him to step up," said the WBC champ.



MONZA :HRT F1 Team's Italian driver Vitantonio Liuzzi, HRT F1 Team's Australian driver Daniel Ricciardo, Lotus Renault GP's Russian driver Vitaly Petrov and Mercedes' German driver Nico Rosberg crash at the start at the Autodromo Nazionale circuit on September 11, 2011 in Monza during the Formula One Italian Grand Prix.

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Tennis: Stosur downs angry Serena to win US Open title



Samantha Stosur of Australia celebrates defeating Serena Williams of the United States during the Women's Singles Final on Day Fourteen of the 2011 US Open.

AFP Photo

NEW YORK (AFP) - Samantha Stosur stunned three-time champion Serena Williams 6-2, 6-3 to win the US Open on Sunday, claiming the first Grand Slam title of her career in a stormy final.

Stosur kept her composure as Williams erupted in anger at the chair umpire in the second set, dominating the 13-time Grand Slam champion who had reached the final without dropping a set.

She became the first Australian woman to take the title in New York since Margaret Court in 1973, and the first to win a Grand Slam title since Evonne Goolagong won Wimbledon in 1980.

Williams arrived in the final after dismantling world number one Caroline Wozniacki in the semi-finals on Saturday night.

But Stosur coolly claimed the opening set, breaking Williams to lead 2-1 and winning the last 12 points of the set as Williams' frustration grew.

Williams, whose powerful serve is a cornerstone of her game, struggled to get her

first serves in and Stosur repeatedly made her pay.

The Australian was still rolling in the opening game of the second set, giving herself a double break point with a crushing return of serve.

Williams saved one with an ace, and appeared to save another for deuce.

But the American's shout of "c'mon" as soon as she unleashed her forehand came before Stosur reached the ball, and umpire Eva Asdaraki immediately penalised Williams for "intentional hindrance" and the point and the game went to Stosur.

"Aren't you the one who screwed me over last time?," Williams bellowed at Asdaraki. "That is totally not cool."

The scene recalled Williams' similar meltdown in her 2009 semi-final defeat to Kim Clijsters.

In that match, she unleashed a tirade of abuse at a lineswoman who called a foot-fault during the tense match and a penalty point sealed her fate in a 6-4, 7-5 defeat.

This time an angry Williams -- backed by a suddenly energized crowd on the 22,000-seat Arthur Ashe Stadium -- immediately stepped up her game, breaking Stosur for 1-1 and holding to edge ahead 2-1.

Williams continued to berate Asdaraki on the changeover, but Stosur stayed calm and saved two break points in the fourth game to level the set at 2-2.

She gained the edge with a break for 4-3, and broke again to seal the match with yet another blistering return off a Williams second serve on her third match point.

Tennis: Nadal hopes for sixth time lucky against Djokovic



New York : Rafael Nadal of Spain (celebrates beating Andy Murray of Great Britain) in a Men's semifinal match.

AFP PHOTO

NEW YORK (AFP) - Rafael Nadal must overturn a five-match losing streak against Novak Djokovic this year if he is to successfully defend his US Open title and clinch an 11th career Grand Slam title.

Nadal confronts the toughest challenge in men's tennis today when he tries to derail

the red-hot Serb's campaign to add a first US Open to the Australian Open and Wimbledon titles he has already captured in his landmark year.

It's been a season which has seen Djokovic win 63 of his 65 matches, take Nadal's world number one spot, collect two of the three majors so

far played and secure five of six Masters.

Nadal has suffered most at the hands of Djokovic, losing in the finals of Indian Wells, Miami, Rome, Madrid and Wimbledon.

But the Spaniard, who became the youngest man to complete a career Grand Slam when he won a first US Open crown 12 months ago, believes his major battle will be convincing himself he can triumph on Monday.

"I am not very happy about my mental performance against him this year because for moments I didn't believe really 100 percent in victory," said Nadal, who will be playing in his 14th Grand Slam final.

"That's the big problem. Because when that's happening, you have fewer chances than if you believe. If you believe, you are running more and you are putting one more ball inside. So that's what I'm going try to change for Monday."

Nadal reached the final with a bruising 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 6-2 win over British fourth seed Andy Murray while Djokovic made it to his sixth career Grand Slam final, with a 6-7 (7/9), 4-6, 6-3, 6-2, 7-5 win over five-time champion Roger Federer.

In a repeat of his semi-final heroics of 2010, the Serb once

again saved two match points to beat Federer.

Nadal said he is ready to slug it out with Djokovic who could be forgiven for thinking the tennis gods are on his side this year when he unleashed an outrageous forehand return to save the first of those points.

But he will need to unleash a relentless barrage.

"I have to do it not one time. I have to do it 1000 times during the match. That's what I really have to do, and that's what I'm going to try," he said.

Despite his procession of defeats against Djokovic in 2011, Nadal still holds the upper hand with a 16-12 winning record.

The Serb is riding a wave of confidence into the final which will be the fourth successive year the men's title match has been pushed back to Monday because of heavy rain washing away large parts

of the schedule.

"This is the best year of my career, by far. The confidence level that is very high at this moment for me helps me to get into these big matches and go for the shots that I maybe in some situations wouldn't," said Djokovic.

Despite his great escape against Federer, the top seed believes there is little he needs to tweak ahead of today's eagerly-awaited showdown, a repeat of the 2010 final and this year's Wimbledon final.

"Just try to play my game," is the Serb's philosophy. "I know that I have a game that is good enough to win against him. I proved that this year on three different surfaces."

"I need to go out on the court believing I can win. But we're talking about a player who has won 10 majors already in his career and he's only 25. It's going to be a tough match."

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NFL season opens with Sept. 11 tributes



CHICAGO, IL : A banner ribbon is displayed on the playing field to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks prior to the game between the Chicago Bears and the Atlanta Falcons at Soldier Field on September 11, 2011 in Chicago, Illinois.

AFP Photo



TAMPA, FL: A general view of Raymond James Stadium during the season opener between the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the Detroit Lions on September 11, 2011 in Tampa, Florida.

AFP Photo



CLEVELAND, OH : U.S. service men and women stand at attention during the national anthem prior to the Cleveland Browns and Cincinnati Bengals game at Cleveland Browns Stadium on September 11, 2011 in Cleveland, Ohio.

AFP Photo

NEW YORK - In honor of the 10th anniversary of the September 11th attacks on the World Trade Center, the NFL prepared a special tribute, asking fans to pay tribute to those who died and their family and friends, as well as those involved in rescue efforts.

The ceremonies coincided with the regular-season return of the NFL

following a summer of labor strife that threatened to stop play for the first time since 1987. The league planned to auction game-used items and donate \$1 million to three memorials and two charities related to the attacks. The balls used for the kickoff of each half were inscribed with special 9-11 logos.

Before the opening kick-

offs, Bush appeared in a 90-second opening sequence of "Fox NFL Sunday" titled, "The Journey."

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